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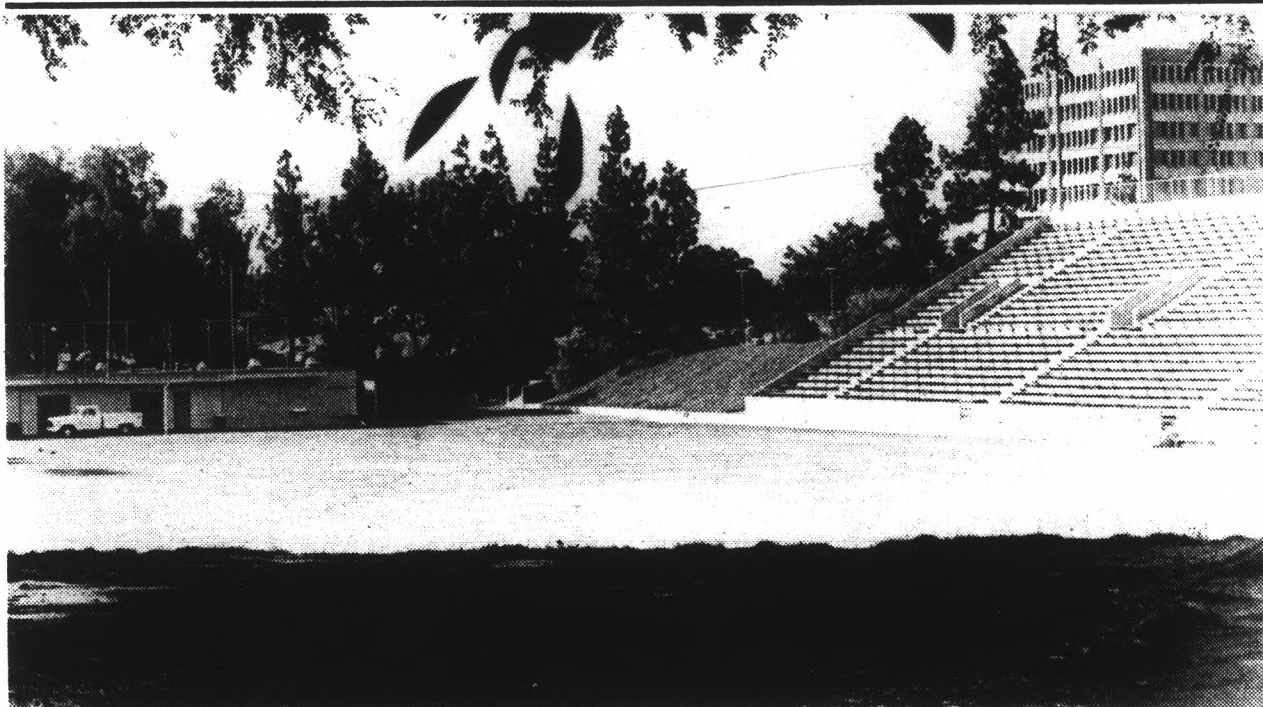
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HERE TODAY, GONE TOMORROW?—Eddie West Field may soon become a thing of the past if the Santa Ana City Council has its way. Currently, the field is only used about three months of the year, and the council has proposed to build a new stadium that will be used at least 11

months per year. The big question is where will the RSC football team and other teams who now use the field play their games? That question will be answered in the near future, as the city council nears a decision.

Mike Padilla *el Don*

Football team may lose field

by Barney Thompson
Staff Writer

For about 55 years, the football team has played its home games at Eddie West Field/Santa Ana Bowl. But now that facility may be in jeopardy because of the proposed Westdome arena.

Westdome is a proposed 20,000-capacity arena that would be built on the corner of Flower Street and Civic Center Drive in the heart of Santa Ana, where Eddie West Field now is located.

Not all persons in the city are happy with the planned Westdome, and they are letting their voices be heard.

Their organization, Save our Stadium (SOS), insists Westdome is a bad idea.

SOS spokesmen say that, in order to break even, the Westdome would have to book events on each of 220 days, 108 on weekends and 112 on weekday nights. SOS spokesmen say that overcrowding in the downtown area, the lack of planned parking for the facility and the threat of failure are reasons extreme caution should be used before proceeding with such a project.

Santa Ana city officials were not available for comment, and all attempts to contact City Manager Robert Bobb were unsuccessful.

As for the direct effects on Rancho Santiago College, nobody knows exactly where the Dons will continue to play their home games.

Backers of the proposed Westdome say they are confident the new arena will attract the NBA team, L.A. Clippers.

Backers of the proposed Westdome say they are confident the new arena will attract the NBA team, L.A. Clippers, but nothing has been confirmed yet.

SOS spokesmen criticize the arena project, saying no provisions have been made for the relocation of Eddie West Field. Even if Eddie West Field could be moved, it would lose the traditional appeal that it has taken years to establish, SOS spokesmen say.

Veterans fade from view

by Lee Scheide
Staff Writer

Among the vast mix of students here on campus is one group that is often overlooked, the veterans. While all the various speeches are made to promote certain causes and to protect rights, the veterans responsible for promoting and protecting such freedoms go unnoticed.

It wasn't always that way.

In the mid 70's, there were 5,000 veterans on this campus. Most were Vietnam vets, but there were some Korean and World War II veterans sprinkled in among them. All were taking advantage of the G.I. Bill that allowed them to get money as they went to school.

"We would go out into the community and recruit veterans," said Robert Ash, a business and management instructor at RSC. "We wanted them to use their benefits to better themselves."

Ash headed the veteran's program for eight years, from 1973-1980. As the veteran population on campus dwindled, so did the need for a full-time adviser. At that time, the veterans were so visible that the head of the now-defunct veteran's club was the president of the Inter-Club Council.

It was estimated that the veterans on campus in the mid-70's were receiving 2 million dollars a month in benefits,

which they immediately put into the school and surrounding community.

Where have all the veterans gone?

Many are still here on campus, but are not quite as visible. There are close to 500 that still receive educational benefits. There are also many on campus that don't receive benefits, so they aren't documented in the statistics that the veterans office compiles.

They don't have a club to congregate in, as the past veterans did. They have other responsibilities that take the place of getting an education.

According to Ash, it's not that the veterans have stopped caring about their educations. The reason is that going to school is not the high priority that it once was, and now most vets must concern themselves with the problems of everyday survival.

Earthquake prompts student involvement

by Maria Duran
Staff Writer

On the morning of Thursday Sept. 19 residents of Mexico City and neighboring areas awoke to the sound of falling concrete and breaking glass. The tragic earthquake was followed by another one the following day.

The earthquakes started at the coast of Acapulco, and moved inward, doing the most damage in Mexico City and part of Michoacan. Thousands of people were killed and hundreds of others hospitalized.

Currently, still other persons are believed to be trapped under fallen buildings.

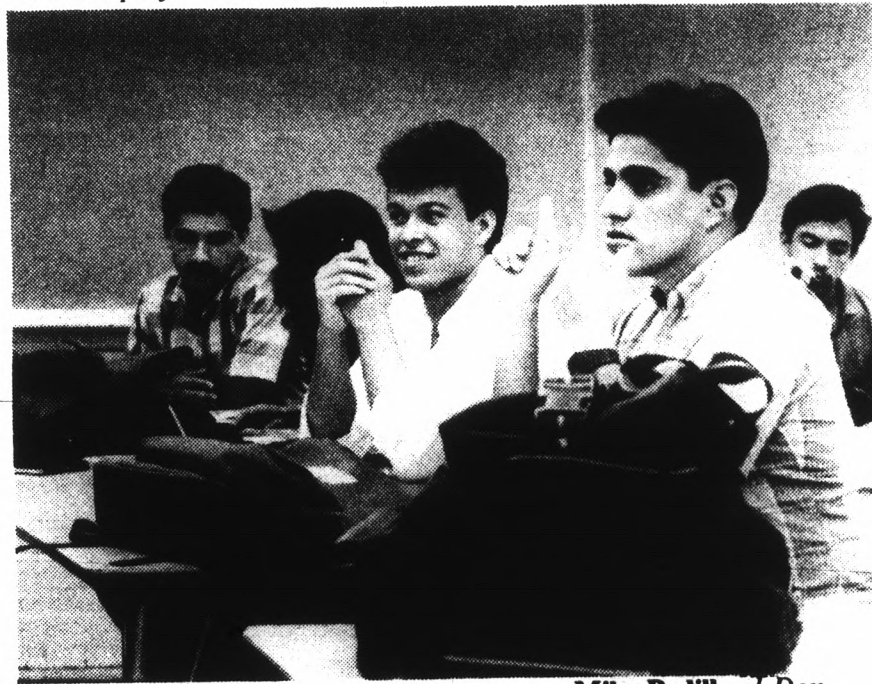
Because of the hardships Mexico is facing, many service groups have become involved. Radio stations have started a campaign to collect donations,

medicines, and other necessities to help the victims.

On campus, the Latinos clubs will help in any way they can. Emilio De La Cruz, a coordinator of Extended Opportunity Program Service (EOPS) said, "Our club wants to help Mexico by sending them clothes, food, tools to scratch the earth and take more people from the rubbish."

The Mecha Club, another campus club, had a meeting this week to discuss possible ways in which they can assist the Mexican people. They are encouraging all students to get involved in helping Mexico.

Anyone wishing to donate clothing or food may contact Emilio De La Cruz on campus at 667-3070.



Mike Padilla *el Don*

GETTING INVOLVED—Members of RSC Mecha Club meet to discuss how they can be of assistance to earthquake victims in Mexico. Other groups on campus, such as EOPS are organizing events to benefit the survivors of the tragedy. The clubs are asking all students to help out by donating clothing and other necessities to those who have suffered because of the quake.

News Briefs

FIREMEN ... The Orange County Fire Department is recruiting volunteer firefighters for the Irvine area. Candidates must be at least 18 years old and pass a rigorous medical examination. For more information, call Battalion Chief Bob Miller at 538-3551 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

CIRCLE K ... The RSC Circle K would like to thank all students and staff who donated books to the Veterans' Administration Hospital of Long Beach.

PARKING ... The college district's board of trustees decided Monday to add 20 more parking meters at the Orange Canyon Campus. The board took the action to remedy over-crowded conditions that now leave about 30 cars to park in the street at night.

SPEAKERS AND FILMS ... The Alliance for Survival Club will present speakers and films through the month of October. The first will start today in room D-102 promptly at noon.

ON CAMPUS ... Santa Ana Mayor Dan Grisct will talk at noon Wednesday at the Speakers Forum in room C-104.

THEATER PARTY ... The Rancho Santiago Foundation invites everyone to the theater party for Roger and Hammerstein's "Some Enchanted Evening." Curtain time is 8 p.m. A wine and cheese reception before the performance is scheduled for 7 p.m. Nov. 17 at the Gem Theatre. The party is sponsored by the Orange Park Acres Friends of the College. For reservations, call the foundation office at 667-3198. Cost is \$10, and seating is limited.



THE POLITICAL WOMAN— A one day skills seminar featuring former Congresswoman Yvonne Brathwaite Burke (pictured above) is being sponsored jointly by RSC Women's Programs and Services, and three off-campus women's organizations. The seminar is tomorrow in the Johnson Center and will feature discussions on how women can succeed in politics.



UP FOR GRABS— The Yost Theater in Santa Ana is facing an uncertain future. The family who owns the theater sold it to the city of Santa Ana, and is now in the process of a law suit to try and regain ownership. To make matters more interesting the city of Santa Ana has made an informal proposal to Rancho Santiago College to give them the responsibility to manage the theater.

Jose Diaz.
el/Don

Theater Controversy

Family sues Santa Ana

by Jose Diaz
Staff Writer

Luis Olivos owned the Yost Theater in Santa Ana for 25 years. Six months ago, Olivos, 67, sold the theater to the city of Santa Ana and has since begun a fight to reclaim it.

The city of Santa Ana bought the theater from Olivos for \$600,000 and told Olivos that the city needed the theater for part of a re-development project in downtown Santa Ana. "My father believed their word, but they failed," said Olivos' son, Alonso.

According to Alonso, the Olivos family sold the 960-seat theater to the city under the condition that the triplex cinema be incorporated into the Fiesta marketplace, a 10 million dollar Hispanic-style shopping center. The city has not kept its part of

the bargain, said Alonso.

Roger Kooi, director of Santa Ana's Downtown Development Commission, said that the city now hopes to convert the building into a theater for college and community groups, specifically Rancho Santiago College.

"We have contacted college officials and they said they would be interested in having a satellite campus in the downtown area," said Kooi. "We hope they will accept management of the theater."

Luis Olivos, however, does not share that viewpoint. Because he feels cheated, he has filed suit against the city of Santa Ana claiming that his Constitutional rights have been violated. "The city didn't do my father a favor

when they purchased the theater, as they claimed", said Alonso.

The city has agreed to purchase the theater back, according to Alonso. The problem is that the city wanted the money on the day they agreed to sell the theater back to the Olivos. "We are not the Bank of America," said Alonso.

Dr. Robert Jensen, chancellor of the Rancho Santiago Community College District, was not aware of any proposal to manage the theater. "There's been a lot of talk, but no formalities, there has been no decision."

Apparently, students and members of the community will have to wait and see the outcome of Olivos suit before planning on a night out at the RSC Yost Theater.

Hatchett bids farewell

by Patty Pryer
Staff Writer

Donna Hatchett has left her position as RSC Public Information Officer for a similar job in the Saddleback Community College District.

Friday Sept 20 was the last day for Hatchett. She has worked at RSC for six years as the director of public relations for RSC fundraising, scholarships, sports information and all internal communication and community outreach.

Hatchett's new title is Director of Community

Relations and Development. She directs public relations for both Saddleback and Irvine Valley Colleges.

"The people I worked with were outstanding and I have a lot of respect for the RSC administration and campus."

The new position involves more responsibility because Saddleback is a multi-college

district, while RSC is one college with several campuses, she stated.

"I'm looking forward to the challenge," says Hatchett. "Saddleback is a growing district with a great deal of potential. It has a bright future, and I'm looking forward to my part."

Hatchett enjoyed her co-workers and the variety of her position at RSC.

"The people I worked with were outstanding and I have a lot of respect for the RSC administration and campus. I had an excellent staff for six years, but," she smiled, "when new opportunities come I have to take them."

Campus Talk

What is your opinion of the proposed West Dome Stadium in Santa Ana?

Photos by Ruth Waters

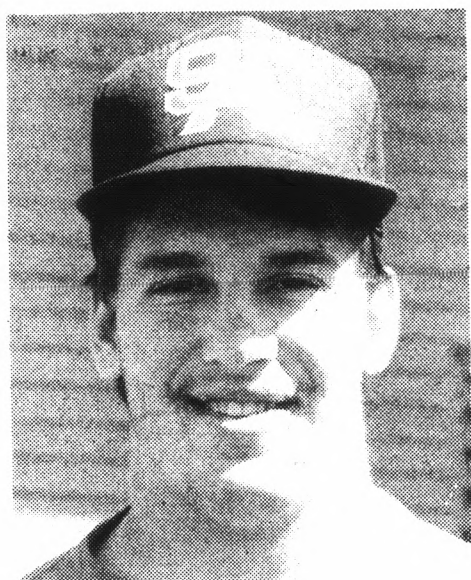


"It's a great idea. It should attract many desirable things to the county such as conventions and concerts if we have a facility for them."

Name: Ernie Tolman
Age: 61
RSC P.E. Instructor

"It's not right to take the football field away from the schools until they have another field for them."

Name: Jacqueline Campuzano
Age: 20
Major: Liberal Arts



"Eddie West Field is like a monument. To take the field will devastate the teams that play football there."

Name: Steve Bancroft
Age: 18
Major: Fire Technology

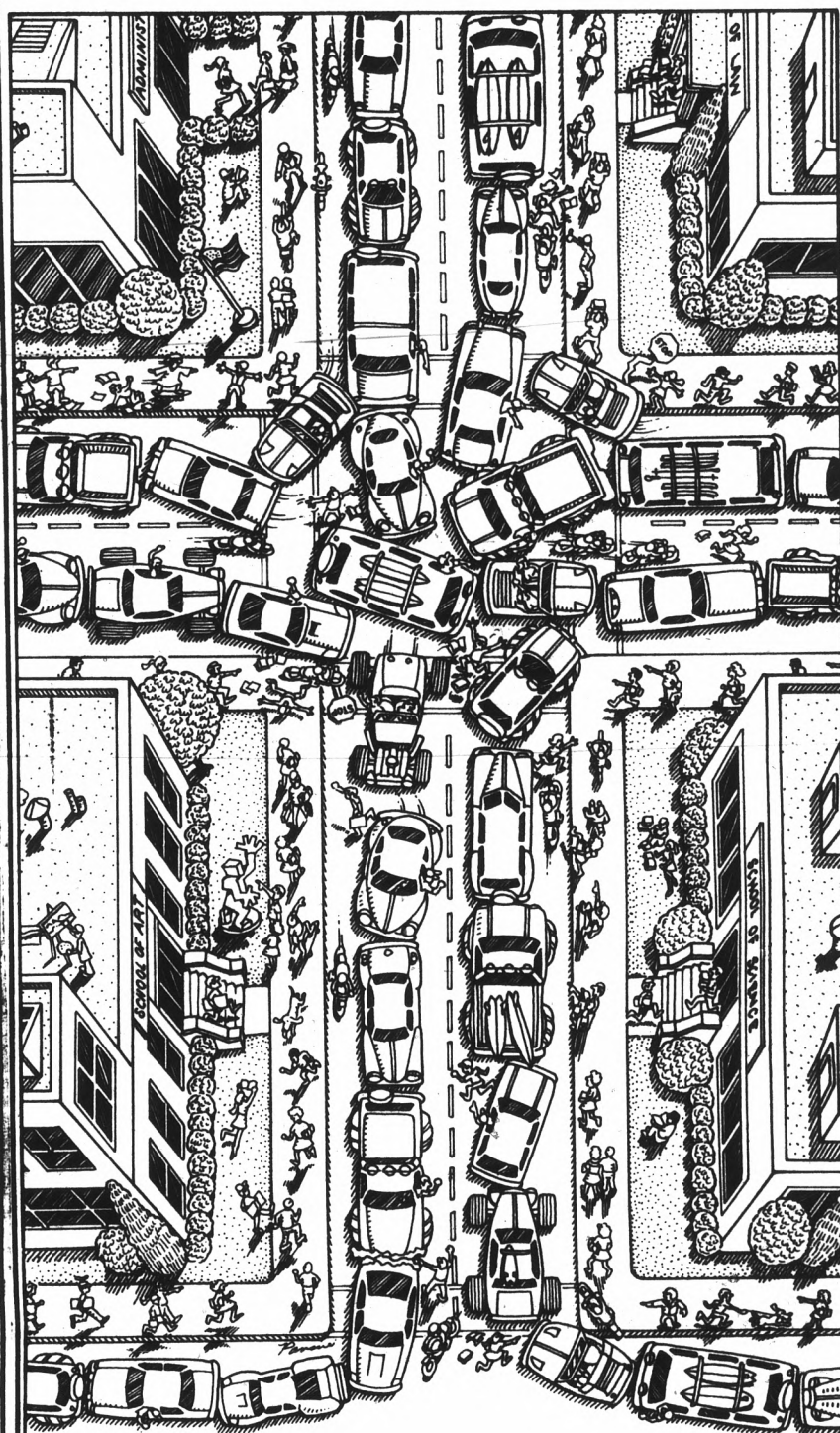
"It doesn't seem to be a good idea. That is a commercial enterprise and will have to be used for the team to practice. There would not be enough time for other uses."

Name: Eric Opel
Age: 67
Major: Philosophy



"Too many high school and college teams use the field to lose it. If the basketball team is not a sure thing, it doesn't seem justified."

Name: Judy Prentice
Age: 21
Major: Criminal Justice



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Campus needs serious cleaning

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You may or may not have noticed, but there seems to be an unusual amount of trash on campus. Litter from food containers, papers, and other garbage adorn the campus.

It really is not that difficult to put trash in a can, yet it seems to wind up flying all over the campus. There are many trash cans on this campus, why don't students use them?

Perhaps it is because many are not aware just how nice this campus is in comparison to other community college campuses. We have a campus we should be proud of and we need to treat it as such.

Most people would not throw trash out of their car because they know the laws pertaining to littering. Furthermore, respectable people don't just drop trash all over their homes. So why do students insist on throwing their trash down in the middle of the campus?

We don't litter in our homes, or businesses, and it is doubtful that a person would throw trash in a place commanding respect, such as a church or courtroom. We need to show that same respect for this campus. It really is easy to look after one's own responsibility. Picking up after yourself is not an option, it's a requirement.

If students take pride in themselves and their appearance, then they can at least take the time to show a little pride and respect for the college they attend.

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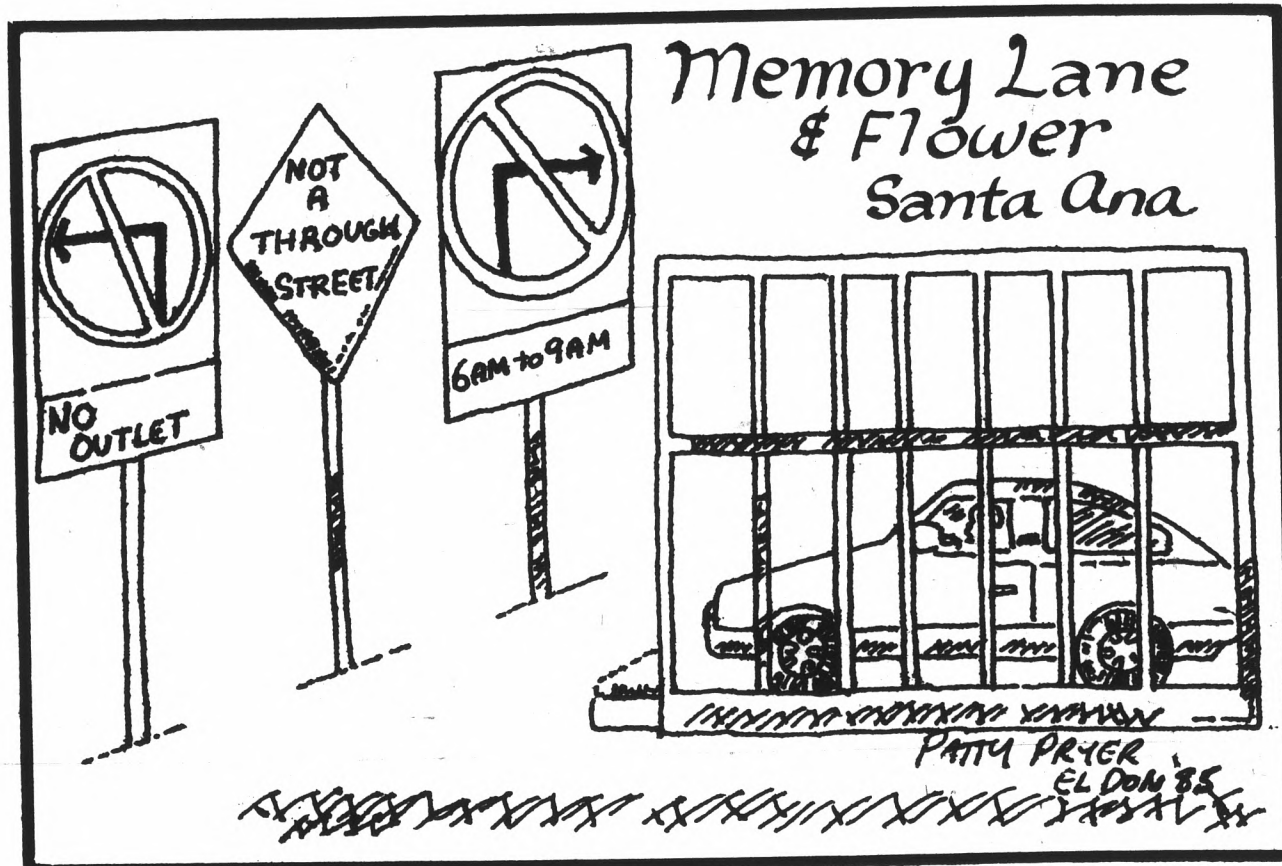
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LaSalle attacked

el Don:

I would like to respond to the article written by Ken La Salle in the Sept. 20 issue of the el Don, "Staff writer may not survive."

I was appalled at the character judgment that LaSalle implied toward Ken Beko, ASB vice-president.

I feel that the statement was very libelous. I would like to ask you, Mr. LaSalle, Do you know Mr. Beko?

Mr. LaSalle, maybe you are right.... that Ken Beko does not go with the Salvation Army.... But Mr. Beko sure does go with the March of Dimes, Cystic Fibrosis, Red Cross and Easter Seals, along with all the other service projects that the RSC Circle K service club does.

Mr. Beko helps in both raising money and helping out where ever it is needed! He is always there, ready to help out! Where are you, Mr. LaSalle?

Ken Beko is a fine person, and I am very proud to have him as a member and past officer of the RSC Circle K service club and as a friend!

Judy Prentice
RSC Circle K Club President,
Inter-Club Council President

ASB speaks out

el Don:

History has proven a longstanding degradory (sic) relationship between governmental organizations and the media, but in the case of student government/el Don coverage, this should not be the rule, but rather the exception. What both must always remember is that they are student service organizations first and respective governmental or media-based institution second.

As student body president, I stand firm behind the concept of a college newspaper, yet the negativeness of recent ASB coverage by the el Don has forced me to respond and to clarify.

With respect to the Sept. 13 feature article on ASB vice-president Ken Beko, the headline, "Beko prepares for the worst," is taken totally out of context and bears with it a pessimistic forboding.

I wish to state that nothing could be further from the truth; both Ken and I, since election to our respective offices, have held nothing but high hopes and optimism for the "85-86" ASB year. Ken was quoted as "hoping for the best, but prepared for the worst," a quote frequently used by many people, yet a quote that was quite misconstrued by our student press.

In furtherance of my point I wish to bring to attention the Sept. 20 issue wherein the ASB Friday the 13th Dance was assailed by the el Don as promoting violence.

First of all, Friday the 13th has throughout history been a date of mystery and intrigue, thus I feel the theme in this sense totally justifiable.

Secondly, what we sponsored was a dance and in accordance with that theme, nothing more, nothing less. It is my contention that those who read more into the dance and read more than what was intended into the publicity for that dance saw only what they wanted to see, a controversial story where no controversy existed.

ASB has never, nor will ever have a hand in the promotion of violence, and those that feel otherwise can only hope to prove it through fiction.

To sublimely correlate an ASB dance and the serial killings of the Nightstalker is a ludicrous grasping at a story that never existed.

My strongest condemnation arises out of the article written by Ken LaSalle, entitled "Staff writer may not survive," wherein he proposes a contrast between a Salvation Army advertisement and the moral character of the ASB vice-president.

Such an action could only be termed libelous, and, to make matters worse, it was written by someone who knows very little as to who Ken Beko is and what he stands for.

In my opinion, Ken Beko is of the finest moral character and I could think of no one better suited for the position of ASB vice-president.

RANDALL GAST
ASB President

Eat out at your own cost....

by John Hamilton
Staff Writer

"The cafeteria prices are ridiculous," said RSC student Debbie Teater, referring to the food establishment on the second floor of the Johnson Campus Center. This sentiment has been repeated by more than a few disgruntled college-goers. Is the complaint legitimate? Not according to Dean of Students Don McCain: "You can probably buy a hamburger cheaper at McDonald's than here, but they're not a full-service restaurant."

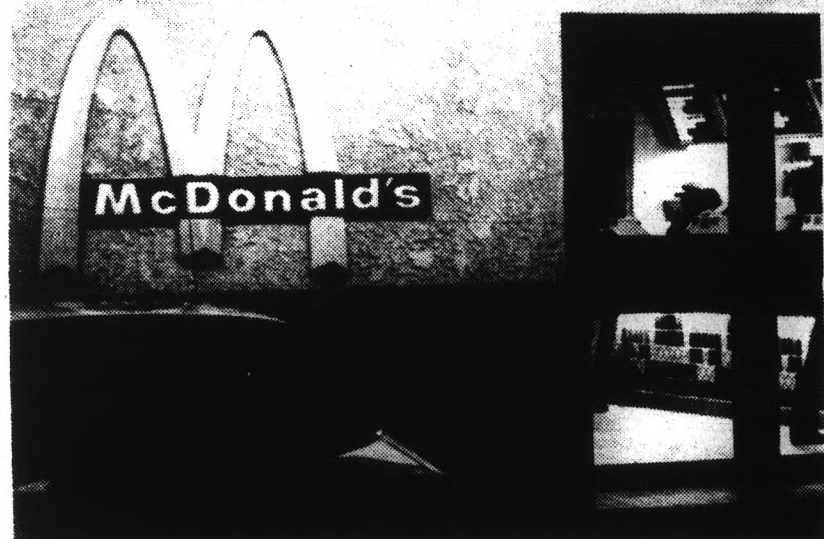
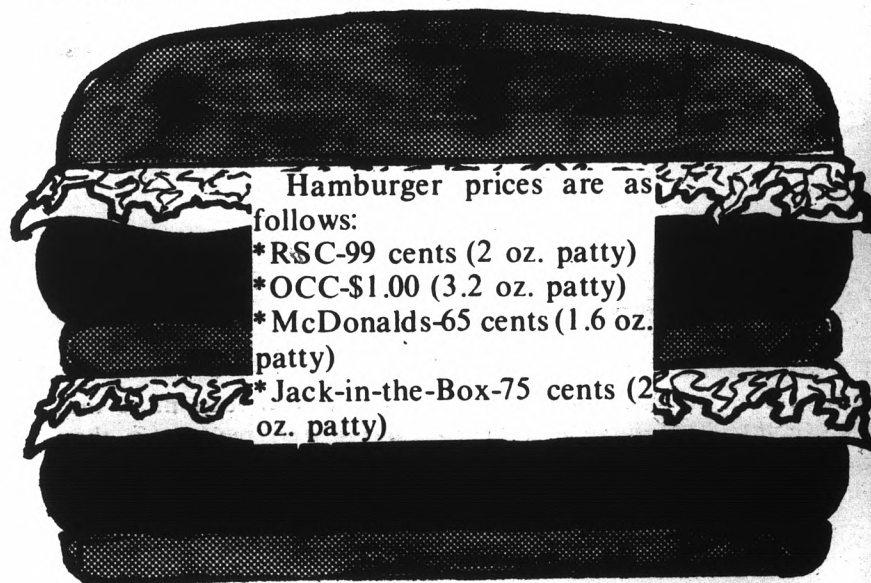
"They (the cafeteria) do an outstanding job," McCain said. "The prices are better than other

school cafeterias."

McCain said some of the profits go into the diversified budget and come back to the ASB, athletics, drama and other campus activities.

The results of a price comparison by el Don show that the RSC cafeteria is comparable in price to the local fast-food establishments, but more expensive than the Orange Coast College cafeteria.

The RSC cafeteria is run by the Saga Corporation. The company has been running the facility since the Johnson Campus Center opened four years ago. Saga is in the first year of a three-year contract.



BIG MAC ATTACK--McDonald's located across the street from the campus, is a popular eating place for many RSC students.

Lucien Philbrick el Don

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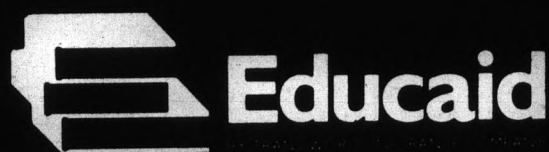
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Coming October 4th to a Theatre Near You.

C.C. takes Sierra, girls take first, boys second.

by Wendy Reynolds
Feature Editor

From having legs cramped in the school van, to having them outstretched and racing towards the finish line, the RSC cross country team's invitational in Sacramento was at least interesting, if not exciting.

At the Sierra College Invitational, the women's team, with a total of 70 points, pulled ahead of the opposing teams to win.

The men's team did well also by placing second. However, an error was made by RSC's lead runner, Reuben Esparza, who went off course during the race.

With 93 points accumulated already, it wasn't known if the

team would have come in first had the mistake not been made. "It would have been close," said Esparza later.

Top times for the team were Ramone Lopez with 21:29, and Kelly Miller with 11:57.

Other members that competed for RSC were, for the men; Esparza, Sergio Ocadiz, Jeff Wright, Chris Curtis, Tom Zois, Joe Nevarez and Juan Vazquez.

For the women, were Rosa Vargas, Socorro Godoy, Patty DeGree, Karen Berry, Wendy Reynolds and Louise Warner.

According to Coach Siddons, the race went very well. He also commented on the performance of the athletes with strong

emphasis on Jeff Wright and Tom Zois. "They showed a lot of improvement and will help the team a lot," said Siddons.

On the girls' team, Rosa Vargas and Patty DeGree contributed to the win. Siddons states that while they are not the fastest runners, they are very hard working and the two contribute to the teams' strength.

Coach Al Siddons said the team is a little out of shape and will need a few races to get mentally tough. He added, "As the season goes on we will be more fit, in better shape and more aggressive."

The team takes on Cerritos and Fullerton in Craig Park today at 3 p.m.



OUT IN FRONT--RSC's Joe Nevarez pulls ahead of the pack. He finished high to help the team to a second place finish overall.

Sports line: Chew! chew! chew!

by Richard Lind
Sports Editor

Chaw, dip, plug, pouches.

Those four words turn the stomachs of most people. But to some, baseball players in particular, the words bring thoughts of pleasure.

Yes, when baseball players take the field, the scent of wintergreen and tobacco fills the air.

There is nothing like being on deck, with a mouthful of tobacco. You work the tobacco around, and much to the dismay of everyone's girlfriends, mothers and who ever else happens to be near, spit the juice onto the ground in front of you.

One thing that I have to admit is that chewing tobacco fires a

person up when he's playing a ball game. The guys on my team would probably die if they didn't have their dips before, during and after games. Granted it may not look nice, but it sure does taste good.

Yes, it does pose a health threat, and many people are grossed out by chewing. However, it's a baseball players' prerogative, whether to chew or not to chew. It also happens to be a tradition that most players feel can't be broken.

As long as there is baseball there will be chewing tobacco.

So pass me my cup, give me my tin of Skoal, a baseball game, and I'm all set to dip my life away.

RSC football player, Rob Polichetti saves man from fire

By Richard Lind
Sports Editor

"The car did a 360 in the middle of the road. I hit the gas so he wouldn't hit me. Then he hit the front part of the railroad tracks and flipped over. There was dust all over and the flames came up," commented Rancho Santiago football player Rob Polichetti, 20, after jumping into action as other people stood gaping at the accident.

"As I sped up (after the accident) all I could think was, Oh my God. I hope he's not dead," Polichetti said.

Monday night at 7:30 p.m.

after practice, Rob Polichetti was returning from driving his friend home from practice when an accident at Valley View in Cypress sent a car out of control toward a set of railroad tracks, barely missing Polichetti's car.

Polichetti, after seeing what happened, told people watching to pull the unidentified man out of the car. Polichetti gave the following account:

"After he was dragged to the intersection by the people on the other side (of the tracks), I (went over) and asked him if anyone else was in the car. He said, No."

Bellowing orders, Polichetti told people milling around the wreck to get away.

"One guy had a fire extinguisher. All he was doing was standing there watching. So I told him to use it," Polichetti said.

The Rancho football player then went back to the accident victim and asked him if he could "wiggle his toes and fingers."

"I wanted to make sure that his spine wasn't severed," Polichetti said.

Polichetti then asked if someone had called an ambulance. "They all just looked at each other, so I stopped a guy and told him to go to a gas station and call the 911 emergency number to get an ambulance."

Wrestling back on track

by Alan Abair
Staff Writer

After a two-year absence, the wrestling program at Rancho Santiago College is back.

The sport was dropped at the school in 1982 when community colleges were hit with budget cuts. There was also a lack of interest in the sport at the time.

"People (schools) were dropping the sport because there didn't seem to be that great an interest," said athletic director Roger Wilson.

"We were having trouble filling teams for a while," said former coach Frank Addleman, who led the Dons to their only wrestling state title in 1974.

But Wilson and Addleman believe interest in the sport has risen because of the Olympics last summer. Specifically, because the wrestling competi-

tion was held in Anaheim.

"Now there is more interest in wrestling," said Addleman. "I've been pushing to get it back. I knew it was a good program. We're glad it's back."

The decision to bring back the sport became evident to Wilson.

"When high school athletes are coming over and asking, Do you have a wrestling program? you have to stop and listen," said Wilson.

So there was only one step left in getting the program back on its feet.

"All we had to do is hire a coach," said Wilson.

And Gary de Beaubien was the choice.

De Beaubien is no stranger to this type of situation. He also built the wrestling program at Irvine High from scratch. The Vaqueros won the South Coast League title the last five out of six

years under de Beaubien. Before that, he coached West Torrance High to a CIF championship in 1974.

"Our main objective is to build the program," said de Beaubien. "To do that, we're trying to build it up from the ground floor."

"I feel we recruited as well as anyone else at the freshman level," he added. "We've got some outstanding talent. We've picked up some guys that have quite a bit of wrestling experience. We're just in the process of molding them into junior college wrestlers."

Four of de Beaubien's former wrestlers at Irvine High have followed him to Rancho.

Frank Lake was a league champion in the 134 class. Mike Larkin was 4th in CIF in the 142 class. Andy Moyer was 4th in CIF in the heavyweight class. Rob Luman will man the 177 class.

Sports update

Today:

Volleyball vs Cypress at Cypress 7pm
Water Polo vs Golden West at Huntington Beach 3:30 p.m.
Cross Country vs Cerritos and Fullerton at 3 p.m.

Saturday:

Volleyball Santa Ana Tournament at RSC All Day
Football vs Riverside at Santa Ana 1:30 p.m.
Soccer vs Alumni at Santa Ana 11 a.m.

Monday:

No action

Tuesday:

Water Polo vs Saddleback at Saddleback 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday:

Volleyball vs Fullerton at RSC 7 p.m.
Wrestling vs Moorpark at Moorpark 7:30 p.m.

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Dons brand Rustlers in victory

Corn, defense once again rise to challenge

by Lee Scheide
Asst. Sports Editor

Things didn't exactly start out right for the Dons when they met Golden West in a non-league contest last Saturday.

Quarterback Silvio Delligatta had his first pass intercepted on the first play of the game as he attempted to hit wide receiver Ira Graham racing down the sideline.

Rustler punter Rich Mendoza, with his high, booming kicks, continually pinned the Dons down deep in their own territory in the first half. In all, the RSC offense crossed into Golden West territory twice the whole game.

The Rustlers played much of the first half in Rancho Santiago's half of the field. The Don defense rose to the challenge, allowing only a 42-yard field goal attempt, which missed wide left.

End result: Rancho Santiago 9, Golden West 7.

That's right. The Dons, without a consistent offense the entire night, pulled off their second upset in as many weeks to improve their record to 2-0 in the young season. In an understatement, it wasn't easy.

"We caught them in man-to-man coverage. I watched him (Nelson) all the way..."
Quarterback Silvio Delligatta

The Dons scored all their points in a span of 1:23 in the second quarter.

Late in the second quarter, Delligatta led the Dons on an impressive 76-yard, 11-play scoring drive, mixing passes with the running of Joel McCrae, Sean Sawyer and Larry Brown. The drive ended when Delligatta found a wide open Ed Nasser in the end zone for a 6-yard TD.

The Rustler defense had pursued Delligatta when he rolled out to the left, allowing Nasser to find a seam in the coverage. Rich Pederson added the extra point, and the Dons had drawn first blood, 7-0.

The big play of the march came on a third and seven situation. Delligatta scrambled to his left, stopped and fired a pass that wide receiver K.B. Nelson pulled down 44 yards

later on the Golden West 16.

Delligatta, when asked about the long pass completion said, "We caught them in man-to-man coverage. I watched (Nelson) all the way, and he came open. He made a great catch on the ball."

Pederson's kickoff following the score defied the laws of gravity, motion and a few others as it pinned the Rustlers on their own 3 yard-line. Pederson's kick landed on the 2, just inches from the sideline. It didn't bounce out of bounds to the left, and it didn't bounce right. It just landed and stopped, much like a shell fired from a mortar.

Then came the big play of the game.

On third and eight from the 5, Golden West quarterback Tim Hanson dropped back into the end zone to pass. Dons defensive lineman Ron Bauer proceeded to drop on Hanson for a safety, providing the Dons with the points eventually needed for victory.

"This was a big win for us," said Dons head coach Dave Ogas. "It proved that last week's win over Fullerton wasn't a fluke."

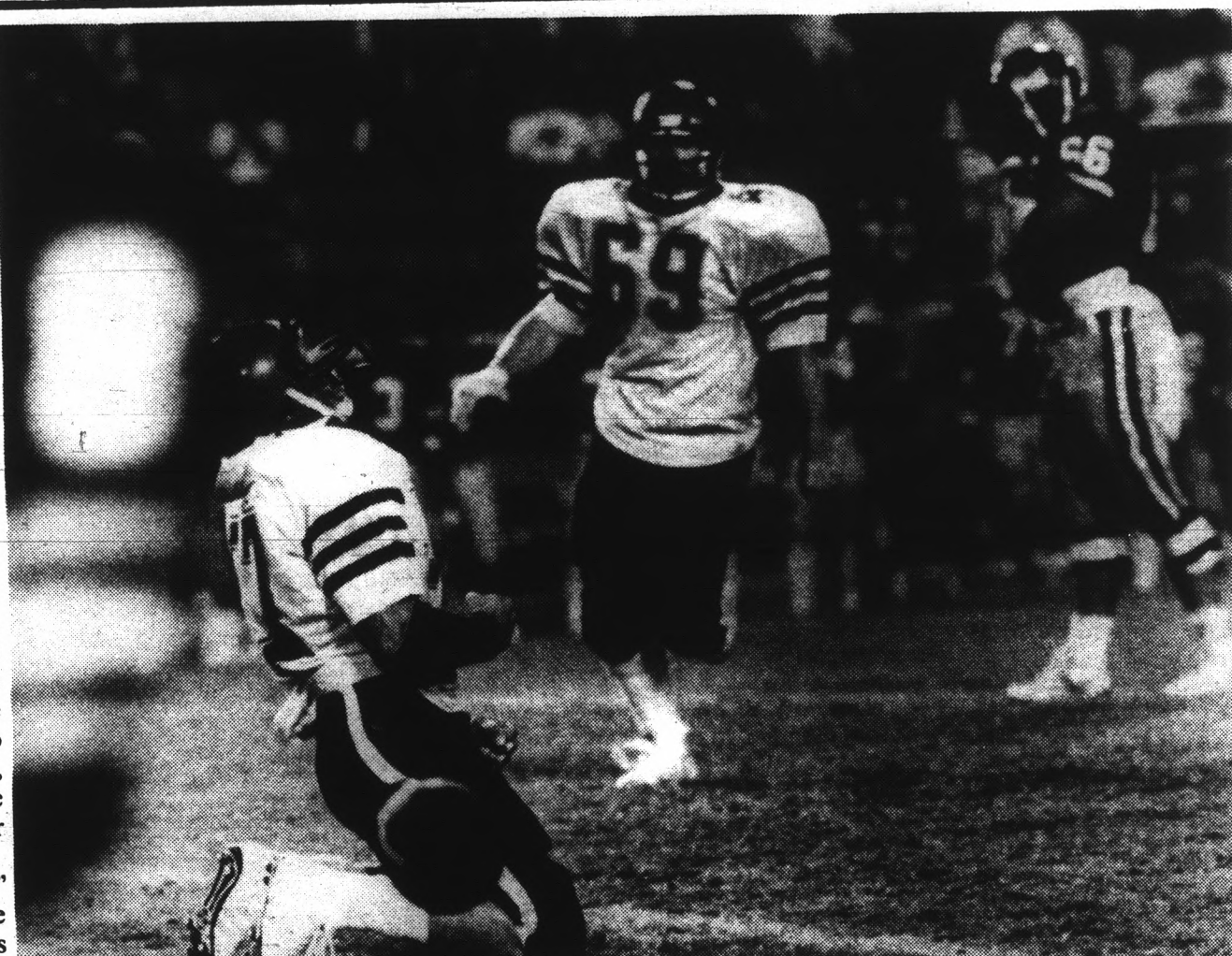
Once again, it was the defense that paved the way for the victory.

Introducing the defense that has been instrumental in the upset victories: linemen Bauer, Sam Smith, Armen Marjanian and Bob Deshano; linebackers Les Holland, Shawn Sampson and Dan Baytosh; defensive backs Rod Corn, Laroy Montgomery, John Cook, Brian Leatherman and Doug Rogers.

The linemen pressured Hanson all evening, forcing him to throw before he was ready on

many occasions. This allowed the linebackers more freedom, enabling them to cover more territory in the pass defense. The defensive backs, Corn in particular, came up with some game-saving plays late in the game to preserve the win.

Golden West pulled within two points, late in the fourth quarter when Hanson hit running back Dave Swigart with a 10-yard scoring pass over the middle.



TURN OUT THE LIGHTS—After breaking up Golden West's final pass, defender Rod Corn (37) kneels with his hands clinched in victory as Ron Bauer (69) comes over to congratulate him. Rustler Tom Piechota (66) hangs his head as he walks off the field.

Mike Padilla el Don

RSC plays host to Riverside

by Lee Scheide
Asst Sports Editor

The Dons will put their unblemished record on the line when they face Riverside City College in their Mission Conference opener at Eddie West Field on Saturday. Game time is 1 p.m.

Rancho Santiago, for the third week in a row, will be matched against a team that is physically bigger. However, expect the team to come out fighting, just as it has in the previous games.

"We are a fired up team," said quarterback Silvio Delligatta. "We have a real good shot at defeating Riverside. We'll just have to execute our game plan and hopefully get a few breaks from the defense."

Riverside coach Barry Myer sees mistakes as the key to the game.

"We are going to have to move the ball on them," Myer said. "And if their first two games are any indication, moving the ball will be a formidable task."

"Rancho Santiago presents a much more balanced attack this year, mixing in runs and passes," Myer added. "We are going to have to eliminate our mistakes, and force them to make a few mistakes of their own."

The Dons will be led by offensive stars Delligatta, running backs Joel McCrae, Sean Sawyer and Larry Brown. Wide receiver Ed Nasser has been Delligatta's favorite target so far this season.

Leander, new S.I.D.

by Tracie Elenz
Staff Writer

Jerry Leander, world traveler and tennis enthusiast has brought his "checkered past" to RSC. Leander is the new Sports Information Director.

Leander came to RSC after holding a position at the University of Nevada Las Vegas. Although he enjoyed his stay in Las Vegas, he is glad to be back in Southern California.

"There is no place that can compare," said Leander, who graduated from North High in Torrance. He should know. While working for the Amateur Athletic Union, he has traveled to Japan three times and to Germany twice. In addition to his overseas trips, he has spent up to 12 weeks a year on the road in the U.S.

Leander, who replaced Dave Romano as the new S.I.D., is looking forward to getting organized and settling into his new position. One of his main concerns is raising the awareness of the community surrounding RSC.

"On one hand we want to have people participating on the teams, but we also want to have people in the area to come out and support the golf team, the tennis team and the other events."

"I can appreciate the value of sports, beyond the obvious things," Leander commented. "This job involves more than just calling in stats and the scores of games. I plan to look for the special, feature side of (the athletic department)."